

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 6-7, 2007

Reference No.: 2.8a.(2)
Action Item

From: CINDY McKIM
Chief Financial Officer

Prepared by: Terry Abbott
Division Chief
Local Assistance

Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION PER RESOLUTION G-03-19, STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES WAIVER-07-13**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Waiver-07-13, extending the period of project allocation for the projects listed on the attached document for the time periods shown.

ISSUE:

The attached document identifies 22 projects totaling \$13,347,000 that are programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program for delivery in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-07. The agencies will not be able to request an allocation of funds by the June 30, 2007, deadline. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the explanation for the delays. The project sponsors are requesting extensions, and the planning agencies concur.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution G-03-19, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on December 11, 2003, stipulates that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	County of Humboldt Humboldt PPNO: 01-2001R Old Arcata Road/Myrtle Ave Rehabilitation and Widening	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$4,948 \$4,948	20 months 02/28/2009 Support
	The County of Humboldt (County) is requesting a 20-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Old Arcata Road/Myrtle Avenue Rehabilitation and Widening project. The requested time extension will allow for the completion of right of way acquisition and the receipt of permits for construction. The County has been experiencing right of way acquisition delays due to the resistance of property owners, and 31 out of 32 owners have agreed to sell their property. The County has redesigned a portion of the roadway to avoid impacts to the remaining owner's property. The County has applied for a Coastal Development permit from the California Coastal Commission (CCC). The CCC has been taking up to 20 months or longer to approve permits.		
2	County of Humboldt Humboldt PPNO: 01-2086A Fieldbrook Bicycle and Pedestrian Shoulder Improvements	\$0 \$35 \$0 \$0 \$35	12 months 6/30/2008 Support
	The County of Humboldt (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the PS&E funds for the Fieldbrook Bicycle and Pedestrian Shoulder Improvements project. The County received a PA&ED allocation in June 2006 and began work on the environmental documents. After surveying the alignment of the project and determining the Area of Potential Effect, it was found that the proposed project encompasses and will have a potential effect on wetlands. Additional time is needed to propose and prepare preliminary design of mitigation measures for these effects. The mitigation measures will be incorporated into the project to offset negative impacts due to the shoulder widening. The County estimates that it will take seven months to complete the environmental work, two months for public notification and revision of environmental documents, and three months to submit, process, and receive the allocation request.		
3	Humboldt County Association of Governments Humboldt PPNO: 01-0302 TE Reserve	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$219 \$219	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
	The County of Humboldt (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the 2006 TE Reserve. The TE Reserve allocation could not be completed in accordance with initial project schedule for three projects. The request is partially based on two of the projects, one in the City of Trinidad and one in the City of Ferndale, recently receiving the authority for the Environmental and Permits component. The third project in the City of Eureka has embedded the TE improvements in a larger Waterfront Drive project funded through multiple funding sources.		
4	County of Lake Lake PPNO: 01-3036A Lake County Walkway and Street Lighting	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$143 \$143	10 months 04/30/2008 Support
	The County of Lake (County) is requesting a 10-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Lake County Walkway and Street Lighting TE project. At the onset of this project, it was anticipated that all work would occur within existing right of way. During the environmental field review in February 2006, a requirement to install additional sidewalks necessitated an unanticipated right of way acquisition. Other requirements during the field review required extensive environmental studies such as the Historical Properties Survey Report, Archeological Survey Report, Historical Resources Evaluation Report, Natural Environment Study, and the Initial Site Assessment. The additional required environmental reports delayed the project by 13 months and the NEPA was completed in March 2007. Due to the delay of the additional required studies to complete the NEPA, additional time is now needed to complete right of way and the final design before the project is ready to request a construction allocation. The right of way and final design are estimated to take approximately 10 months and are anticipated to be completed by April 2008.		

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects**

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
5	City of Ukiah Mendocino PPNO: 01-4091P Gobbi/Oak Manor/Babcock Realignment	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$458 \$458	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The City of Ukiah (City) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Gobbi/Oak Manor/Babcock Realignment project. This project was initially programmed to receive a construction allocation in Fiscal Year (FY) 2003-04, but the construction funds were delayed by the 2004 STIP Adoption at the August 2004 California Transportation Commission meeting. When the 2004 STIP was adopted, the programmed construction funds were delayed to FY 2006/07. Due to the 24-month programming delay, the prices of concrete, asphalt concrete, and steel, have increased since the original estimate was prepared for this project in 2002. The City is in the process of securing additional funding for this project through the 2006 STIP Augmentation. The 2006 STIP Augmentation is scheduled to be adopted in June 2007, with the funds anticipated to be available in FY 2007-08.</p> <p>Another delay experienced by the City is the completion of the CEQA and permits due to environmental concerns raised in February 2007, by the Friends of Gibson Creek, a citizens group concerned with access to Gibson Creek. Since February 2007, the City has met with the Friends of Gibson Creek several times in order to resolve the issues. Prior to the beginning of the CEQA, the City had no knowledge of the Friends of Gibson Creek or the environmental concerns voiced by the group and therefore did not anticipate the delay.</p> <p>The City of Ukiah requests this time extension to complete the CEQA document, obtain permits, and to coordinate award of contract with the anticipated availability of additional needed funding in FY 2007-2008 through the 2006 STIP Augmentation.</p>			
6	County of Tehama Tehama PPNO: 02-2148 Bowman Road at South Fork Cottonwood Creek Bridge	\$0 \$0 \$9 \$0 \$9	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The County of Tehama (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the Right of Way funds for the Bridge Replacement at Bowman Road at South Fork Cottonwood Creek. In May of 2005, NEPA clearance was delayed due to the discovery of a historical archeological site. Archeological testing determined the need for the County to complete a Finding of Effect, Data Recovery Plan and Phase III proposal. These documents took a total of 19 months to complete. These documents have been completed and approved by the Department and were forwarded to the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) in December 2006. The County anticipates that approval from the SHPO will take 12 months from the date of submission and approval is anticipated to be received in December 2007. After SHPO approval of these documents, the project may proceed with a NEPA Categorical Exclusion with Studies. The County is requesting a 12-month extension due to the additional archeological studies which delayed the completion of the NEPA. The County will be ready for the Right of Way allocation when all environmental documents are complete.</p>			
7	County of Tehama Tehama PPNO: 02-2184 McCoy Road at South Fork Dibble Creek Bridge	\$0 \$0 \$5 \$0 \$5	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The County of Tehama (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the Right of Way funds for the Bridge Replacement at McCoy Road at the South Fork of Dibble Creek. An unforeseen delay was experienced when the replacement of the bridge required new construction in both archeologically and biologically environmentally sensitive areas. Changes to the alignment of the bridge required consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). The consultations with the USFWS and the SHPO delayed the project by nine months due to the USFWS issuing new guidelines for surveys after the County had already completed and submitted the original surveys. This required the County to redo the surveys. The new guidelines required eight surveys to be performed, including daytime and nighttime surveys, with each of the eight surveys requiring special time and weather conditions. One survey for the red-legged frog required a breeding season survey and a non-breeding season survey. These surveys could not be completed until August 2006 because the breeding season occurs in February but the non-breeding season does not begin until July. Before the environmental documents could be finalized, the final alignment and bridge type selection was needed; this was delayed by the County Counsel and approval of the agreement. In February 2007, the County submitted the final environmental documents to be reviewed by the Department, and in March 2007 the Department forwarded the reviewed documents to SHPO for concurrence. The County is anticipating the SHPO concurrence to take twelve months from the date of submission and approval is estimated to be received in March 2008. The County has experienced a 12-month delay in completing the PS&E phase of the project and is therefore requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for Right of Way in order to have time to fully complete the PS&E phase. When the PS&E phase is complete, the project will be ready for the Right of Way allocation.</p>			

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects**

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
8	County of Tehama Tehama PPNO: 02-2185 McCoy Road at Center Fork Dibble Creek Bridge	\$0 \$0 \$5 \$0 \$5	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The County of Tehama (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the Right of Way funds for the Bridge Replacement at McCoy Road at the Central Fork of Dibble Creek. An unforeseen delay was experienced when the replacement of the bridge required new construction in both archeologically and biologically environmentally sensitive areas. Changes to the alignment of the bridge required consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). The consultations with the USFWS and the SHPO delayed the project by nine months due to the USFWS coming out with new guidelines for surveys after the County had already completed and submitted the original surveys. This required the County to redo the surveys. The new guidelines required eight surveys to be performed, including daytime and nighttime surveys, with each of the eight surveys requiring special time and weather conditions. One survey for the red-legged frog required a breeding season survey and a non-breeding season survey. These surveys could not be completed until August 2006 because the breeding season occurs in February but the non-breeding season does not begin until July. Before the environmental documents could be finalized, the final alignment and bridge type selection was needed; this was delayed by the County Counsel and approval of the agreement. In February 2007, the County submitted the final environmental documents to be reviewed by the Department, and in March 2007 the Department forwarded the reviewed documents to SHPO for concurrence. The County is anticipating the SHPO concurrence to take twelve months from the date of submission and approval is estimated to be received in March 2008. The County has experienced a 12-month delay in completing the PS&E phase of the project and is therefore requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for Right of Way in order to have time to fully complete the PS&E phase. When the PS&E phase is complete, the project will be ready for the Right of Way allocation.</p>			
9	County of Tehama Tehama PPNO: 02-2378 Sacramento River Bridge at Jellys Ferry	\$0 \$180 \$0 \$0 \$180	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The County of Tehama (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the PS&E funds for the Bridge Replacement at Jellys Ferry at the Sacramento River. The County received the PA&ED allocation in August 2005, and the County had contracted a consultant for the PA&ED phase of this project. The original consulting company experienced a change of ownership and a change of staff and could not complete the job as scheduled. Negotiating with another consultant took approximately four months through the County's contracting process and another four months through the Department's audits process. In March 2007, a new consultant began working on the PA&ED phase. The CEQA process is estimated to take nine months and to be completed by December 2007. The NEPA process is estimated to take six months after CEQA completion and to be completed by June 2008. The project will be ready for the PS&E allocation after the environmental documents are complete.</p>			
10	Yolo County Yolo PPNO: 03-3L48 County Road 32A Bike Lane	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$141 \$141	6 months 12/31/2007 Support
<p>The County of Yolo (County) is requesting a six-month extension to the period of allocation for construction funds for the County Road 32A Bike Lane project. The County has experienced an unforeseen delay in Right of Way acquisition. The County retained appraiser and an independent appraiser could not agree to the value of the properties; the County had to seek legal opinion from the County Council and from Department Legal Counsel. A property value of \$25,000 an acre was determined, and the County presented this value to two property owners in November 2006. One of the property owners accepted the price. However, a developer had purchased an option on the property of the second owner and offered the property owner \$50,000 an acre. The property owner insisted that he would not sell for less. In May 2007, the County and the second property owner reached an agreement. Currently the County has agreements with both property owners. The County is anticipating that finalizing the agreements, opening escrow, and obtaining signed deeds will take six months. The County anticipates having the Right of Way acquisition and certification by December 2007.</p>			

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects**

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
11	County of El Dorado El Dorado PPNO: 03-3120A Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor Bike Path	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$899 \$899	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The County of El Dorado (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the period of allocation for construction funds for the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor Bike Path TE project. The County is delayed in the completion of the Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) phase due to unanticipated circumstances surrounding the requirement of additional protocol-level surveys regarding the California red-legged frog, a Federally listed threatened species. In March 2006, the County received the Project Approval and Environmental Document allocation and began Environmental Studies and Permits work. Coordination with the United State Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and review of the California Natural Diversity Database prompted USFWS protocol-level surveys for the California red-legged frog. The seasonal requirements of the surveys require the surveys to be conducted during the months of April, May, and June. The County did not have enough time to obtain an approved Request for Authorization to Proceed (E-76) and enter into an environmental contract to conduct the studies during the required seasonal time for 2006. Therefore, the County has experienced a 12-month delay and the California red-legged frog surveys are being conducted during the breeding season of April, May, and June 2007. The seasonal requirements of the protocol-level surveys have extended the project schedule by 12 months; however, this delay will ensure compliance with the Federal Endangered Species Act and will ultimately minimize or avoid impact to the California red-legged frog. The County anticipates completing the required surveys by July 2007; obtaining NEPA approval is anticipated to take four months and is expected to be completed by November 2007. Once the County receives NEPA approval, the County anticipates the completion of the PS&E phase to take four months and be completed by March 2008. When the PS&E phase is complete, two months are required to request an allocation for the June 2008 Commission meeting.</p>			
12	City of Yuba City Sutter PPNO: 03-3134 Bridge Street Reconstruction	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$700 \$700	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The City of Yuba City (City) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Bridge Street Reconstruction TE project. In 2006, the City decided to combine a TE project with a Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) project in order to provide more enhancements and improvements at a lower cost. Both the TE and RSTP projects include street improvements such as landscaping, new sidewalks, curbs, gutters, median work, street reconstruction, street lighting, and signal modification. By combining the two adjacent projects, the City anticipates a better product and economic savings. However, due to the combining of the projects, additional planning and engineering were needed to produce a set of construction plans that met the City's requirements, while at the same time meeting requirements for TE and RSTP. The environmental process was scheduled to be complete by March 2005, with the original TE project scope being classified as CEQA Categorically Exempt. With the project scope change, a CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration was required. However, due to the amended project scope, both CEQA and NEPA environmental documents, which were on schedule to be signed in early 2005, were delayed 12 months and signed in mid-2006.</p> <p>The project scope change has also caused utility conflicts and now the project requires utilities to be relocated to an underground joint trench. Delays have occurred due to the utility companies' design processes and not relaying information to the City on a timely basis. The Right of Way was originally scheduled to be complete in the second quarter of 2005, but due to the utility conflicts, the Right of Way is estimated to take an additional 12 months from June 2007 and is estimated to be completed by June 2008. The City is requesting a 12-month extension to the period of allocation for construction in order to complete the Right of Way phase and to finalize the construction package before requesting a construction allocation.</p>			

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects**

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
13	City of Santa Barbara Santa Barbara PPNO: 05-1899 Pershing Park Multi-Purpose Pathway	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$175 \$175	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The City of Santa Barbara (City) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Pershing Park Multi-Purpose Pathway TE project. In November 2006, while the City was conducting initial technical studies to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the City discovered the need for an additional level of study, due to the presence of sensitive cultural resources (Native American burials) in the project vicinity. The additional level of effort required to complete the Section 106 process will cause an unanticipated delay of up to one year. The City understands that it is likely that the costs of construction will increase over the course of this extension and the City will cover any construction increases in costs from the City's Streets Funds.</p>			
14	City of Exeter Tulare PPNO: 06-D012 Exeter Downtown Improvements	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$450 \$450	7 months 01/31/2008 Support
<p>The City of Exeter (City) is requesting a seven-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Exeter Downtown Improvements TE Project. The City has experienced unforeseen delays in completing the PS&E phase due to changes in the project description and design. The original design of the project was determined to have roundabouts which would be encroaching on a park. The City was advised that the encroachment on the park would require concurrence from the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), which could take up to one year. Additionally, the originally proposed roundabouts and other design elements could possibly impact emergency vehicle response which could constitute public controversy. The City is currently re-working the design to make the roundabouts smaller to prevent encroachment. Due to the design delays, additional time is needed to complete the environmental studies, permits, and PS&E. The City estimates that it will take approximately two months to complete the environmental studies, and permits, which will be completed by August 2007. The City estimates it will take five months to complete the PS&E and will be complete by January 2008. The City will be ready for a construction allocation when the environmental studies, permits, and PS&E are complete.</p>			
15	City of Long Beach Los Angeles PPNO: 07-3407 East-West Bikeway Connections and Signage	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$827 \$827	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The City of Long Beach (City) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the East-West Bikeway Connections and Signage TE project. The project is being delayed due to community opposition to a segment of bicycle lanes in the project. The current project alignment includes staggered Class II and Class III bicycle lanes through several neighborhoods along an 8.6 mile stretch between the regional San Gabriel River bike path and Los Angeles River bike path. One neighborhood is objecting to the installation of bike lanes because they are concerned that the bike lanes will bring "undesirable elements" into their neighborhood. The neighborhood would like to see the route moved out of the residential area to a major or secondary arterial area. The neighborhood is also concerned that the striping and signing of the project is inappropriate on a residential street. Additional time is requested to work with the neighborhood and hold public meetings to provide alternative designs that will be supported by the residents in that neighborhood while still providing the east-west connectivity that is required. The City will draft three alternative designs which will incorporate the suggestions and will take approximately four months. The City will hold additional public meetings over the following three months to receive input and make necessary revisions. When the design is approved, an additional four months will be required to prepare and finalize the PS&E documents. When the PS&E documents are finalized, the City will be ready to request a construction allocation. A concurrent time extension request was submitted under Agenda Item 2.8d. to extend the period of expenditure for the PS&E phase of the project.</p>			

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects**

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
16	City of Long Beach Los Angeles PPNO: 07-3408 P.E. Right of Way Bikeway and Pedestrian Improvement	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$1,110 \$1,110	18 months 12/31/2008 Support
<p>The City of Long Beach (City) is requesting an 18-month extension to the allocation period for construction funds for the P.E. Right of Way Bikeway and Pedestrian Improvement TE project. In June 2006, a six- month Right of Way allocation time extension was approved by the Commission with an extended deadline of December 2006. The Right of Way allocation was granted by the Commission in February 2007; however, the Right of Way acquisition will require the City to purchase five parcels prior to the start of construction. One of the five parcels has a business located on it and the business will need to be relocated. Finding a suitable relocation property that meets all of the requirements of the business will be a lengthy process. A second parcel will require some environmental remediation that could lengthen the acquisition and escrow process. The property owner of a third parcel is negotiating with the City on other parcels that are adjacent to the project parcels, but not a part of the required acquisition for the project. During the negotiations, the property owner has stated that he would like to sell all the parcels in one acquisition and one escrow. However, some of the adjacent parcels are part of a proposed National Park Service conversion and replacement request. The application to the National Park Service could result in delays to the project because the adjacent parcels are tied to the project parcels. The City is estimating that the Right of Way acquisition of the five parcels will take 18 months to complete and be complete by December 2008. When the Right of Way acquisitions are complete, the City will be ready to request the construction allocation.</p>			
17	City of Pasadena Los Angeles PPNO: 07-3424 Playhouse District Streetscapes, Walkways and Alleys	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$925 \$925	12 months 06/30/2008 Support
<p>The City of Pasadena (City) is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for construction funds for the Pasadena Playhouse District Streetscapes, Walkways, and Alleys TE project. This project is delayed due to clearance requirement for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. During review of the Preliminary Environmental Studies (PES) form in July 2006, the City was told to prepare and submit three additional reports: the Archaeological Survey Report (ASR), Historic Properties Survey Report (HPSR), and the Area of Potential Effects (APE) map. The HPSR and the APE are being prepared by a qualified environmental planner within the City; the ASR can only be prepared by a recognized person noted in the Caltrans qualified list. The City contracted with a consultant to prepare the ASR in December 2006. The City is moving forward to complete the additional reports in order to begin the design phase once the City has received Section 106 clearance. Due to the time expended locating a qualified consultant, preparing reports, submitting changes, receiving approval, and processing the request for design, the City is requesting a 12-month extension to the allocation period for construction funds. The City anticipates that obtaining NEPA approval will take 10 months and NEPA approval is estimated to be received by April 2008. The City will need two months to request the construction allocation for the June 2008 Commission meeting once NEPA approval is received.</p>			
18	City of Palmdale Los Angeles PPNO: 07-3456 Sierra Bikeway Railroad Overcrossing	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$606 \$606	15 months 09/30/2008 Support
<p>The City of Palmdale (City) is requesting a 15-month time extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Sierra Bikeway Railroad Overcrossing TE project. Currently, Right of Way coordination with multiple utilities, railroads, and public agencies is delaying the final preparation of the PS&E and Certification of Right of Way. The preliminary design is complete with the CEQA Environmental Documentation in process and expected to be complete by June 2007, and NEPA clearance will follow shortly thereafter. When the Environmental Documents are complete, the City can proceed with the electrical utility relocations by Southern California Edison, which will take approximately five months and are estimated to be complete by November 2007. When the electrical utility relocations are complete, permits and licenses from Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Southern California Regional Rail Authority, and the Union Pacific Railroad will take approximately two months and are estimated to be complete by January 2008. When the permits and licenses are finalized, the City must receive Grade Separation Approval from the California Public Utilities Commission, which is estimated to take two months and be complete by March 2008. The contract is scheduled to be awarded at the City of Palmdale's regularly scheduled council meetings in August 2008.</p>			

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
19	County of Inyo Inyo PPNO: 09-1006 Alabama Hills Roads Resurfacing – Phase I	\$0 \$140 \$0 \$0 \$140	18 months 12/31/2008 Support
<p>Inyo County (County) is requesting an 18-month extension to the allocation period for the PS&E funds for the Alabama Hills Roads Resurfacing project. Currently, the project is financed with State-only funding and normally only requires a CEQA document. However, the first delay is due to the project's potential encroachment onto neighboring federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land, a NEPA document and coordination with the BLM is now required. A second delay to the project was caused by a review of biologic data which indicates the potential presence of several special status, State Endangered, and Federal Endangered Species in the vicinity of the project site, and additional archeological studies are now required for the project. The additional archeological studies must be coordinated with the BLM. A third project delay is due to several drainage problems caused by seeps and springs in the vicinity of the roadway, which must be addressed before construction in order to keep moisture away from the new pavement. Addressing these drainage problems (for example, by installing culverts) may require a wetland determination and additional permits from the California Department of Fish and Game, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and United States Army Corp of Engineers. A fourth project delay is the requirement of additional evaluation of scenic resources and noise because blasting is required to realign and widen the roadway, which is located in a narrow, steep canyon. Because the project site is in the vicinity of a residential area, the public's perceived effect of the project on views of Mount Whitney and disturbance from blasting may also result in public scrutiny.</p> <p>The County estimates that performing field studies and preparing draft documents will take four months and be complete by October 2007. Additional reviews by the BLM and the Department are anticipated to take four months and be complete by February 2008. Noticing the public, coordinating public hearings, and finalizing the documents are expected to take approximately three months and be complete by May 2008. The permits process is anticipated to take approximately five months and be complete by October 2008. After the environmental document and permits process is complete, the Request for Funding Allocation for PS&E must be submitted in October 2008, two months prior to the Commission meeting in which the funds are allocated, to be voted on for allocation in December 2008.</p>			
20	County of Inyo Inyo PPNO: 09-3036 Shabbell Lane Resurfacing	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$495 \$495	16 months 10/31/2008 Support
<p>Inyo County (County) is requesting a 16-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Shabbell Lane Resurfacing project. During construction permit process for culvert replacement, the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) indicated the potential for several special status and State Endangered Species in the vicinity of the project site that were not identified during the field review or subsequent CEQA determination of a Categorical Exemption. Although culvert replacement is usually Categorically Exempt under CEQA, the project site is what CEQA calls an "unusual circumstance," and may require the preparation of an Initial Study as a part of the permits process. The County was required to include a CDFG Section 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement and a Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) Section 401 Permit. A United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) Section 404 Permit may also be required. The County estimates that performing the field studies, preparing, circulating, and noticing the Initial Study, and permit review time will take 16 months to complete. The CEQA is anticipated to take six months to complete. The Right of Way Certification is anticipated to take three months to complete. The permits process is anticipated to take approximately five months. After the environmental document and permits process is complete, the Request for Funding Allocation for PS&E must be submitted two months prior to the Commission meeting in which the funds are allocated.</p>			

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Projects

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands)		Number of Months Requested	
		E&P (Environmental & Permits)	PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates)	Extended Deadline	CT Recommendation
		R/W (Right of Way)	CON (Construction)		
		TOTAL			
21	Amador County Transportation Commission Amador PPNO: 10-K601 Sutter Hill Transit Center	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$408 \$408		20 months 02/28/2009 Support	
<p>The Amador County Transportation Commission (ACTC) is requesting a 20-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Sutter Hill Transit Center TE project. This project is being funded by multiple sources that require coordination to be available for authorization at the same time. In addition to STIP, fund sources include a Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) earmark and Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) funds. The SAFETEA-LU funding is available in four segments which are spread over four fiscal years, with all four segments being available in FY 2008-09. The CMAQ funds will be available in FY 2008-09. All fund sources must be available at the same time in order for this project to be ready to receive a construction allocation.</p> <p>The funding authorizations for the federal fund sources can be obtained no later than October 2008. A 20-month extension is being requested by ACTC to allow 15-months for all fund sources to become available at the same time and to request funding authorizations. Also, the ACTC is requesting five months to provide a buffer against additional unforeseen delays, including adoption of the State and Federal budgets, which are outside of ACTC's control. In the meantime, ACTC is working on a number of strategies that would allow construction more quickly. No project cost increases are anticipated due to this time extension.</p>					
22	San Joaquin Regional Transit District San Joaquin PPNO: 10-K656 Mall Transfer Enhancements	\$0 \$94 \$0 \$375 \$469		6 months for PS&E; 10 months for CON 12/31/2007 for PS&E; 04/30/2008 for CON Support	
<p>The San Joaquin Regional Transit District (SJRTD) is requesting a six-month extension to the allocation period for PS&E and a 10-month extension to the allocation period for construction funds for the Mall Transfer Enhancements project. The SJRTD has experienced unforeseen delays in the planning phase of this project due to difficulties in reaching a consensus regarding the location.</p> <p>In December 2004, the SJRTD submitted its preliminary plan to the City of Stockton (City) to place the Mall Transfer Enhancements project on Claremont Avenue. In June 2005, property owners who had previously agreed to the placement of the project on Claremont Avenue rejected the placement and the City of Stockton asked the SJRTD to find a new location. This resulted in the loss of approximately one year of planning.</p> <p>In October 2005, the SJRTD found a second suitable area, and reached an agreement with Weberstown Mall and the local Sears store to move the placement of the project onto the Sears parking lot, adjacent to Yokuts Avenue. From October 2005 to October 2006, the SJRTD was unable to complete an agreement with the Sears Corporate Office in Ohio due to the unresponsiveness of the Sears Corporate Office. This resulted in the loss of one additional year of planning.</p> <p>In November of 2006, the SJRTD found the final area on Yokuts Avenue. In December 2006, the SJRTD began to work closely with the City of Stockton to develop and determine a permanent project area on Yokuts Avenue. In January 2007, SJRTD began a traffic study as requested by the City of Stockton, to determine safety and operational project viability on Yokuts Avenue. In March 2007, the traffic study was completed and as of April 2007, the SJRTD expects to finalize all safety and operational issues with the City of Stockton. The SJRTD will need six-months to complete the planning.</p> <p>The SJRTD is requesting a six-month extension to December 2007 for the PS&E allocation and a 10-month extension to April 2008 for the construction allocation.</p>					